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a magnetic circuit formed by a top plate having a rectangular shape and having a through hole in its center, a plate-shaped magnet having a rectangular shape and having a circular through hole in its center, and a back plate having a rectangular shape and having an integrally formed upright pole on its center,

wherein the top plate, the plate-shaped magnet and the back plate each has a width that is narrower than that of the frame in its shorter axis.

*Sub C2* *(Amended)*  
A speaker unit comprising:  
an elliptical vibrating diaphragm;  
a cylindrical voice coil having a circular cross-section and secured at one end thereof on a center of the elliptical vibrating diaphragm;  
an elliptical frame for movably supporting the vibrating diaphragm and having a through hole in its center;  
a magnetic circuit formed by a top plate having a rectangular shape and having a through hole in its center, a plate-shaped magnet having a rectangular shape and having a circular through hole in its center, and a back plate having a rectangular shape and having an upright pole on its center,

wherein the top plate, the plate-shaped magnet and the back plate each has a width that is narrower than that of the frame in its shorter axis.

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C3*

(Amended)

10. A speaker unit comprising:
- an elliptical vibrating diaphragm;
- a cylindrical voice coil having a circular cross-section and secured at one end thereof on a center of the elliptical vibrating diaphragm;
- 5 a elliptical frame for movably supporting the vibrating diaphragm and having a through hole in its center;
- a magnetic circuit formed by a top plate having a rectangular shape and having a through hole in its center, a plate-shaped magnet having a rectangular shape and having a circular through hole in its center, and a back plate having a rectangular shape and having an integrally formed
- 10 upright pole on its center,
- wherein the top plate, the plate-shaped magnet and the back plate each has a width that is narrower than that of the frame in its shorter axis.

#### REMARKS

##### *Summary of the Final Office Action*

In the Final Office Action of November 25, 1998, claims 2-4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Takahashi*, Japanese Publication No. 5-207590, in view of *Sariti*, U.S. Patent No. 3,079,472. Claim 5 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Takahashi* in view of *Sariti* as applied to claim 4 and further in view of *Lee et al.*, GB 2278251 or *Numa*, Japanese Publication No. 55-118299. Claims 6 and 8-9 stand